U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 2



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Re: Re: Diamond Alkali OU4 - Lower Passaic River Study Area - Administrative Settlement

Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

(Agreement) CERCLA Docket No. 02-2007-2009

Dear Dr. Law:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reviewed the *Diamond Alkali OU4*, *Evaluation of the CPG Current Conditions Addendum to the QAPP – Fish and Crab Tissue Collection for Chemical Analysis*" prepared by Windward Environmental, LLC (and others) on behalf of the Cooperating Parties Group (CPG) for the Lower Passaic River Study Area (LPRSA) Remedial Investigation (RI)/Feasibility Study (FS). EPA submitted comments on August 28, 2019 and received responses to the comments on September 03, 2019. EPA accepts the responses and has no further comments.

In accordance with Section X, Paragraph 44(a) of the Agreement, EPA hereby approves the CPG's *Addendum to the QAPP – Fish and Crab Tissue Collection for Chemical Analysis*. If there are any questions or clarifications needed, please contact me to discuss.

Sincerely,

Diane Salkie, Remedial Project Manager Lower Passaic River Study Area RI/FS

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